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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Tomohiro KAWATA *et al.*

Application No.: 08/931,615

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated November 17, 2000, finally rejecting claims 2 - 9, 14 - 17, and 20 - 30.

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1. Extension of Time

- [X] Applicant(s) petition(s) for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

<u>Total Months Requested</u>	<u>Fee for Extension</u>	<u>[Fee for Small Entity]</u>
[X] one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
[] two months	\$ 390.00	\$195.00
[] three months	\$ 890.00	\$445.00
[] four months	\$ 1,390.00	\$695.00

- [] Applicants believe(s) that no additional extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

2. Notice of Appeal Fee - 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b)

- [X] Check in the amount of \$ 420.00 for notice of appeal and one month extension of time fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

3. Constructive Petition

[X] **Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. §1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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